CALLING ATTENTION OF MATTERS OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

[*re burning of a Khadi cap of an empyloyee at the H. M. T. Ltd. Bangalore.*]

SRI B. SATHYANARAYANA SINGH (Hospet).—I call the attention of the Chief Minister to the burning of Khadi cap worn by an employee of Hindustan Machine Tools Ltd., Bangalore and to the beating of the said boy by some other employees on 25-4-1974.

SRI D. DEVARAJ URS.—(Chief Minister) I wish to make the following statement :

On 20-3-1974 one Sri G. Hanumanthappa, an Employee of H.M.T. (Token No. 4439) belonging to H. M. T. Employees Association (affiliated to K P.T.U.C.) appeared at the Jalahalli Police Station at 4-55 P.M. and presented a complaint to the effect that Sriyuths Sadashiva Murthy and Aswathappa, members of the H.M.T. Karmika Sangh (affiliated to I.N.T.U.C.) abused him and tried to assault him in the premises of the Factory at about 1 P.M. The complaint was treated as Non Cognizable and parties were called and duly warned against breach of peace.

On 10-4-1974 one Sri T. Gururaja Rao, an Employee of H.M.T. (Token No 6879), belonging to H.M.T E.A. appeared at the police Station at 13-15 Hours and presented a complaint to the effect that on the same day at about 7-35 A.M. while he was collecting tools inside the Factory, Sri Sadashiva Murthy, H.M.T.K S abused him using filthy language etc, Sri Sadashiva Murthy was called and enquired by the Jalahalli Police. He denied the allegation. Here also the parties were warned against the breach of the peace.

On 24-4-1974 at about 11-15 P.M. Sri Sadashiva Murthy (Karmika Sangh) appeared at the Police Station and presented a complaint alleging that Sriyuths Ansar and Kumar (Employees Association) tried to assault him and also abused him in filthy language. The police have taken action against the said two persons under section 92 (0) & (R) of K.P. Act.

On 26 4-1974 the Jalahalli Police received a Phone Message in the morning from the H.M.T. Security Officer to the effect that Sri Sadashiva Murthy was assaulted by some persons on the previous day and that he has been admitted in the K.C.G. Hospital, Malleswaram and requested for taking necessary action in the matter. On receipt of the information the Police Sub-Inspector, Jalahalli proceeded to the Hospital, at 8-45 A.M. and recorded the statement of Sri Sadashiva Murthy. He has stated that on 25-4-1974 at about 11-30 A.M. when he was in store room of the Factory,

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Sriyuths. Kulkarni, K.V.S. Nair, and Muralikrishna came to the Store Room, abused him and snatched away his Cap and burnt it. He reported the incident to the Officer-in-charge of the Stores. Thereafter while he was going home after taking half-a-day's C.L., at about 12 noon he was assaulted near No. 1 main Gate by Sriyvths. Doddamuniyappa, K.V.S. Nair, Shivakumar and others. On this the Jalahalli Police registered a case in Cr. No. 93/74 under sections 143, 341, 427, 323 read with section 34 I.P.C. On the same day the Police Sub-Inspector, Jalahalli visited the Factory and conducted investigation. After his retturn to the Police Station, at about 2 P.M. the Police Sub-Inspector learnt that H M.T.E.A. supporters of the Factory have gheraoed the Security Officer of the Fact ry resenting the attitude of the Management in allowing the Police to enter into the Factory premises for investigation and also for implicating innocent persons by the complainant. Immediately the Sub-Inspector and his staff rushed to the Factory. Meanwhile on the assurance of the Management that no injustice would be done to any one, the Employees dispersed peacefully.

The investigation made so far has disclosed that Sri Doddamuniyappa who has been implicated in the complaint had not taken part in the alleged incident and that the Cap of the complainant was snatched and an attempt was made to burn it, but actually it was not burnt as alleged by the complainant. The case is under investigation. Medical Certificate is yet to be received and some more witnesses are to be examined. After ascertaining the true facts, persons concerned will be arrested and the case finalised

ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ. ಸತ್ಯನಾರಾಯಣಸಿಂಗ್.—ತಮ್ಮ ಹೇಳಿಕೆಯ ಪ್ರಕಾರ ಈ ಘಟನೆಯಾಗಿ ಆರು ದಿವಸಗಳಾದರೂ ಇದರ ತನಿಖೆ ಇನ್ನೂ ಪೂರೈಸಿಲ್ಲ. ಆದ್ದರಿಂದ ಕೂಡಲೇ ಸಂಬಂಧಪಟ್ಟ ಕಾರ್ಮಿಕರ ಮೇಲೆ ಯಾವರೀತಿಯ ಕ್ರಮವನ್ನೂ ಇದುವರೆಗೆ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಂಡಿಲ್ಲವೆಂಬುದು ಸ್ಪಷ್ಟವಾಗುತ್ತದೆ. ತನಿಖೆ ಇಷ್ಟು ನಿಧಾನವಾಗಿರುವುದರಿಂದ ಕಾರ್ಮಿಕರ ಸುರಕ್ಷಿತದ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಈ ತನಿಖೆಯನ್ನು ಪೂರ್ಣಗೊಳಿಸುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಇನ್ನೆಷ್ಟು ಕಾಲಾವಕಾಶ ಬೇಕಾಗುತ್ತದೆಂಬುದನ್ನು ತಿಳಿಸುತ್ತೀರಾ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಡಿ. ದೇವರಾಜ ಅರಸ್.—ಅದನ್ನು ಇನ್ನೂ ಎಗ್ಜಾಮಿನ್ ಮಾಡಬೇಕು. ಇನ್ನೂ ಇತರ ವಿಟ್‌ನೆಸ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು ಎಗ್ಜಾಮಿನ್ ಮಾಡಬೇಕಾಗಿದೆ. ತನಿಖೆ ಈಗಾಗಲೇ ಮುಂದುವರಿಯುತ್ತಿದೆ. ಆದು ಎಷ್ಟು ಜಾಗ್ರತೆಯಾಗಿ ಪೂರ್ಣವಾಗಬೇಕೋ ಅಷ್ಟು ಜಾಗ್ರತೆಯಾಗಿ ಮಾಡುತ್ತೇವೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ ಸತ್ಯನಾರಾಯಣಸಿಂಗ್.—ಈ ಒಂದು ಫ್ಯಾಕ್ಟರಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಲಾ ಅಂಡ್ ಆರ್ಡರ್ ಏನೂ ಇಲ್ಲವೆಂದು ಕಾಣುತ್ತದೆ. ಪೋಲೀಸ್ ಅಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳಾಗಿರಬಹುದು ಅಲ್ಲಿ ಕಂಪ್ಲೇಂಟ್ ಕೊಟ್ಟವರ ಮೇಲೆ ಕ್ರಮ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳುತ್ತಾರೆ. ಅದರಿಂದ ಅವರ ಮೇಲೆಯೇ ಘೇರಾವೋ ಮಾಡಿದರೆ ಹೇಗೆ? ಫ್ಯಾಕ್ಟರಿ ಇಷ್ಟೊಂದು ಅರಾಜಕತೆಯಿಂದ ಇರುವಾಗ, ಅಲ್ಲಿನ ಕಾರ್ಮಿಕರು ಈ ರೀತಿ ಇರುವುದರಿಂದ ಅವರ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಸಂಬಂಧಪಟ್ಟ ಮ್ಯಾನೇಜ್‌ಮೆಂಟಿನವರಿಂದ ಒಪೀನಿಯನ್ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಂಡು ಅವರ ಮೇಲೆ ಏನು ಕ್ರಮ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳುತ್ತೀರಿ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಡಿ ದೇವರಾಜ್ ಅರಸ್ —ಫೇರಾಪೊ ಹೂಡಿದ್ದರಿಂದ ಇದು ಡಿಲೇ ಆಗುತ್ತಿದೆಯೆಂದಲ್ಲ. ವಿಷಯಗಳನ್ನು ಇನ್ನೂ ಚೆನ್ನಾಗಿ ತಿಳಿಯಮಾಡುವುದಕ್ಕಿಂತ ಮುಂಚೆ ಏನು ಕ್ರಮವನ್ನೂ ಸಹ ತೆಗೆದು ಕೊಳ್ಳುವುದಕ್ಕಾಗುವುದಿಲ್ಲ ಪೋಲೀಸರು ಫ್ಯಾಕ್ಟರಿಗೆ ಸುಮ್ಮನೆ ನುಗ್ಗುವುದಕ್ಕೂ ಆಗುವುದಿಲ್ಲ. ಮ್ಯಾನೇಜ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್‌ನವರನ್ನು ಕೇಳಿ ಅಗತ್ಯಬಿದ್ದರೆ ಮಾತ್ರ ಪೋಲೀಸಿನವರು ಅಲ್ಲಿಗೆ ಹೋಗುತ್ತಾರೆ. ವಿನಾಕಾರಣ ಹೋದರೆ ಅಲ್ಲಿನ ಕಾರ್ಮಿಕರಿಗೆ ಬೇಜಾರು ಆಗಬಹುದು. ಪೋಲೀಸಿನವರು ಸದಾ ಅಲ್ಲಿಗೆ ಬರುತ್ತಾರೆಂಬ ಸುದ್ದಿ ಬೇರೆ. ಅವರು ಅದರ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ತನಿಖೆ ಹೀಗೇ ಹೂಡಬೇಕಾಗುತ್ತದೆಂದು ಹೇಳುವುದಕ್ಕಾಗುವುದಿಲ್ಲ.

ii re. theft of money near Hassan by the Reserve Police Sub-Insptecors and others.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಸ್. ಬಂಗಾರಪ್ಪ (ಸೊರಬ).—ನಾನು ನನಗೆ ಸಂಬಂಧಪಟ್ಟ ಗಮನ ಸೆಳೆಯುವ ಸೂಚನೆಯನ್ನು ತಮ್ಮ ಅಪ್ಪಣೆಯನ್ನು ಪಡೆದು ಈ ಸಭೆಯ ಮುಂದೆ ಮಂಡಿಸುತ್ತೇನೆ. ನನ್ನ ಗಮನ ಸೆಳೆಯುವ ಸೂಚನೆ ಈ ರೀತಿ ಇದೆ :—

'ಹಾಸನದ ಬಳಿಯ ದಾಸರಕೊಪ್ಪಲಿನ ಶ್ರೀ ರಾಮೇಗೌಡ ಅವರಿಗೆ ಸೇರಿದ ಹಣವನ್ನು ತಿರುಪಲು ಪಡೆಯ ಸಬ್ ಇನ್‌ಸ್ಪೆಕ್ಟರ್ ಹಾಗೂ ಇತರರು ಕಳ್ಳತನ ಮಾಡಿರುವ ವಿಚಾರವನ್ನು ಮುಖ್ಯ ಮಂತ್ರಿಗಳ ಗಮನಕ್ಕೆ ತರುತ್ತಿದ್ದೇನೆ ;

SRI D. DEVARAJ URS (Chief Minister) Sir I make the following tatement.

On 30-3-1974 at 11 A.M. one Sri Ramegowda son of Lakkegowda resident of Dasarakoppalu village, Hassan Taluk, appeared at Hassan Rural Police Station and presented a written complaint to the Police Sub-Inspector stating that on 15-3-1974, when he was selling his food grains, such as Ragi, Jowar and Jaggery at the Regulated Market Yard at Hassan, four persons namely (1) Harijan Papaiah of Dasarakoppalu (2) Chikkegowda of Dasarakoppalu (3) Mariappa of Hassan ; and (4) Changappa of Hassan approached him and requested him to advance a sum of Rs 5,000/- by way of mortgaging the house of Mariyappa situated in Hassan Town as he was in urgent need of money. On his refusal to comply with their request, they went away. At about 6 P M. on the same day when the complainant was returning to his village after his business, the above persons met him again near Electric Office and requested him to advance the money. At that time, the complainant had a cash of Rs 3 800/- in his pockets. The complainant accompanied the said four persons to some distance, and they all went to the house of Mariyappa, where Mariyappa, his wife and Changappa further urged the complainant to part with the money by negotiating the mortgage of the house. In the mean time, Changappa forcibly made the complainant wear a newpair of Chappals and drink a bottle of brandy and requested him to advance the money. The complainant being annoyed at their attitude gave Rs. 50/- to Changappa and proceeded towards his village When the complainant was going near Ediga ground beyond Hosaline road on foot, a Police jeep came from behind driven by a Reserve Policeman in Uniform and stopped by his side. In the said jeep, Reserve Sub-Inspector in uniform was sitting in the front seat and the